Crisis Leadership Program – Extend

Expand your capabilities to lead teams and organisations in rapidly evolving and crisis contexts, while building networks to help influence change within the humanitarian and disaster response system.

**Duration:** Five-day intensive course with some preparatory work

**Available dates and locations:** 19–23 June 2023; Krakow, Poland | 9–13 October 2023; Istanbul, Turkiye | 5–9 February 2024; Krakow, Poland

**Suitability:** Individuals operating in a crisis context with more than eight years’ experience in organisational leadership with key responsibilities in strategic planning and decision-making.

**COURSE OVERVIEW**

The Crisis Leadership Program (CLP) is a new learning opportunity designed to expand the leadership skills of people providing frontline assistance as part of the crisis in Ukraine and other humanitarian situations. CLP Extend is designed for individuals working in crisis contexts in a position of organisational leadership, with responsibility for strategic planning and decision-making, people and financial accountabilities and/or roles with external influence with key actors and stakeholders. Participants will expand their ability to lead in rapidly evolving and crisis contexts within their organisation, as well as capacities to work collectively with peers to influence change within the broader system.

**COURSE INFORMATION**

Over the course of the program, you will:

- Employ systems thinking, tools and techniques to offer effective leadership in complex crises
- Deconstruct, appraise and build new perspectives on the nature and role of strategy and managing an organisation in crisis contexts
- Examine in-depth the power of compassion and empathy in leadership and demonstrate appropriate application of methods and behaviours that engage and enable others to thrive in their crisis response work
- Assess the different purposes of communication in leadership and demonstrate these skills and approaches in practice
- Identify tangible areas for positive change through actions to take back and test within your organisation
- Expand your capability to offer leadership through exchange and context-sharing with peers and explore ways to collectively influence and shape the system.
**COURSE DELIVERY**

The CLP offers hands-on short courses with flexible delivery models to meet the needs of people working in frontline crisis response and recovery. CLP Extend is centred on a five-day in-person course, with some preparatory work, and individual and group coaching. In recognition of participants’ work responsibilities, the in-person course will run from 8:30am to 3:30pm each day, leaving time for work in the late afternoon.

The overall time commitment is estimated at six full days, including the preparatory work, the intensive five-day course and coaching sessions.

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**ELIGIBILITY, FEES AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

CLP Extend is a five-day short course designed for individuals working in crisis contexts with more than eight years’ experience in organisational leadership with key responsibilities in strategic planning and decision-making.

Participation in the course, accommodation and some meals during the intensive is free for most people working for national or local civil society organisations and who meet the work experience requirements. Staff members of international organisations (including the UN) are asked to contribute $550 USD (discounted rate) and will be required to pay for all travel, accommodation and food expenses.

Applications can be submitted online on a rolling basis for participation in 2023/24. You are required to complete an online form to capture your personal and work details, a short statement supporting your application, and upload a CV and employer support letter.

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**ABOUT THE COURSE ORGANISER**

The CLP has been designed by the Centre for Humanitarian Leadership (CHL), an organisation specialising in educating humanitarian and crisis response leaders. Since 2011, CHL has transformed the leadership skills of hundreds of people working in disasters through its flagship Humanitarian Leadership Program (HLP) and the Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership, delivered in partnership with Deakin University, based in Melbourne, Australia.

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